GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2454
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2007
PURCHASE OF STATIONERY
Singh Shri Prabhunath

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

to the reply given to USQ No. 136 dated February 27, 2007 regarding purchase of stationery and state:

(a) whether the information asked in parts

(f) to (h) of the above USQ has been collected;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by when the information is likely to be collected;

(d) whether the stationery items purchased from NCCF at higher rates were available in Kendriya Bhandar at lower rates;

(e) if so, the details of the items purchased at higher rates alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to curb such activities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a) to (c): The information asked in parts (f) to (h) of Unstarred Question No. 136 answered on 27th February, 2007 has been collected and provided in the Implementation Report furnished to Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (Implementation Cell) on 22nd November, 2007 in fulfillment of the Assurances given in respect of the aforementioned Unstarred Question.

(d) & (e): The rates of stationery items vary on account of quality, brand, size, etc. and as such, a meaningful comparison of rates is possible only after these factors are taken into consideration.

(f): All purchases of stationery etc. are being made after inviting tenders as per instructions contained in General Financial Rules 2005. Besides, after the receipt of the Department of Personnel and Training's Office Memorandum No. 14/12/1994-Welfare (Vol.II) dated 5th July 2007 regarding local purchase of stationery and other articles from Kendriya Bhandar, NCCF and other Multi-State cooperative societies, the guidelines laid down therein are also being followed.